

Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling Demonstration Grant Program

REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) Community Wide Waste Reduction Projects

Applications due August 1, 2006

The Department of Natural Resources is soliciting proposals in the Waste Reduction and Recycling Demonstration Grant program for **Community-Wide Waste Reduction** projects. We are seeking waste reduction projects that reduce the amount of waste being produced, reduce the amount of materials used in manufacturing or extend the life of materials.

A project proposal may:

- Implement waste reduction efforts on a community wide basis tailored to local businesses, government facilities, institutions and the general public
- Develop local partnerships to reduce and/or reuse solid waste generated at area industries, institutions, retail and commercial businesses
- Move residential, commercial and/or institutional efforts beyond recycling to waste reduction and reuse behaviors

\$500,000 is allocated annually for the program; funding for RFPs may not exceed 50% of the funds available in a fiscal biennium. Projects selected under this community wide waste reduction RFP will receive 75% of eligible project costs up to a maximum grant amount of \$150,000.

Grant applications must be postmarked by August 1, 2006.

For more information about the Waste Reduction and Recycling Demonstration Grant Program, please see our web site at:

<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/ef/recycle/index.htm>

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Another segment of this program (termed Request for Proposals or RFPs) enables applicants to submit proposals that target special and hard-to-recycle wastes. Project proposals are not necessarily innovative, but must demonstrate advancements in one or more of the following areas:

- Increase waste reduction and/or recycling in the business sector,
- Increase recycling of difficult-to-recycle materials such as consumer electronics, construction materials, demolition waste,
- Increase food waste composting and utilization,
- Increase the level of recycling at special events and other away-from-home venues (e.g.. conferences, shopping malls, convenience stores),
- Build organizational capacity to support regional waste reduction and recycling efforts.

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